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Letter dated 5 May 1994 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I am writing to you in connection with the letter dated 3 May 1994 addressed to you by the Permanent Representative of Albania to the United Nations (A/49/140-S/1994/533).

The above-mentioned letter is a blatant example of the perseverance of the Albanian authorities in presenting deliberately distorted facts and untruths against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

The Permanent Mission of Albania, by distributing its press release of 15 April 1994, has shown that it does not refrain from abusing the United Nations by advocating flagrant interference in the internal affairs of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. This, more than any heartbreaking rhetorical statement for propaganda purposes about Albania's commitment to act in a constructive manner and conduct a peaceful policy that contributes significantly to peace and stability and to respect the Charter of the United Nations as well as all other international documents, is best evidenced by the above-mentioned press release of the Albanian Mission (see annex), which calls upon Albanian Americans to rally for "Kosova independence".

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 72 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dragomir DJOKIC
Ambassador
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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ANNEX

Press release issued on 15 April 1994 by the Permanent Mission of Albania to the United Nations

ALBANIAN AMERICANS WILL RALLY TODAY FOR KOSOVA INDEPENDENCE

Today, on 15 April, the Albanian-American community will organize a rally for the independence of Kosova. The rally will be held from 11.30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza (47th Street and First Avenue).

Thousands of Albanians will protest against the colonial Serbian repression against the Albanian people of Kosova. They will ask that the will of the Kosova people for the Independent and Neutral Republic of Kosova be realized without delay. At the same time, they will call on the United Nations to put Kosova and its people under its protection.

The Parliament of Kosova organized in 1991 (from 26 to 30 September), a referendum on the future status of the former socialist autonomous province. Of the 1,051,357 eligible voters of Kosova, 914,902 (87.01 per cent) individuals participated in the referendum; 99.87 per cent of the voters voted in favour of Kosova's sovereignty and independence.

Based on the results of the referendum, the Assembly of Kosova (Parliament) declared Kosova a sovereign and independent republic. As results of the general and presidential elections held in Kosova on 24 May 1992, the new Parliament was elected and Mr. Ibrahim Rugova was the first President. However, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) did not recognize the results of the referendum and the elections.